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## LIFE CLOSSES FOR H. B. CRITCHELOW

Prominent Man of Axtel Community Dead; Father of Nine Children. Funeral at St. Anthony's Church.

Axtel, Ky., Jan. 11. (Special)—This community has been saddened by the death of Mr. H. B. Critchelow, of Roff, Ky. The summons came Jan. 4, 1921 at 6:15 a. m.

For almost a year Mr. Critchelow had been a patient sufferer with a complication of diseases. He was fortified in his last illness by all the sacraments for the sick and dying of the Holy Catholic church, having joined that church some thirty years ago.

Mr. Critchelow was the only son of James Critchelow and Elizabeth Basham Critchelow, born October 17, 1861. He was married to Miss Sallie Kennedy, of Hardinsburg, at St. Romauld's rectory by Rev. H. A. Connelly in 1885. To this union were born nine children; Charles, Jesse Alonzo and Margaret, deceased. Raymond, Victor, Robert and Edward Critchelow and Mrs. Gordon Rhodes, who survive him.

The funeral took place from St. Anthony's church, Axtel, on Wednesday, Jan. 5. It was conducted by Rev. Joseph Odendahl, pastor. There were many warm friends who gathered to pay their last respects.

Mr. Critchelow was a man of many sterling qualities. Truthfulness, honesty and industry, shown throughout his life; combined with great kindness to all. He was ever the kind thoughtful husband, the exemplary and dutiful father, ever advising and imploring his children in the way of goodness.

He was a staunch friend and loyal neighbor, but the tie closest to his fatherly heart was his home. He loved best his own fireside and family circle. It was always his aim to build up home and make life pleasant for its inmates.

## A. R. KINCHELOE RECOMMENDED FOR COUNTY JUDGE

Mr. A. R. Kincheloe, of Hardinsburg, has been recommended for Judge of Breckinridge County to follow Judge S. B. Payne, who has resigned.

The recommendation was sent to Gov. Morrow, Saturday, and the appointment will likely be made this week.

Judge Payne and Mrs. Payne will make their home in Irvington upon the Judge's retirement from office.

## LICENSED TO WED.

Mr. Frank C. Miller, of Lodi, and Miss Stella Cook, of the same place, were granted marriage license in Cannelton, last week.

## SCOUTS RE-REGISTER; JUNIORS ORGANIZED.

Local Boy Scouts Have 12 Members; Juniors Start With 9.

Members of the Cloverport Boy Scouts of last year's organization re-registered on Friday evening of last week as is the custom of the Scouts at the beginning of each year.

Rev. J. R. Randolph, who is Scout Master, organized the Junior Boy Scouts the same evening with nine members.

The Boy Scouts include: Chas. H. Allen, John Cordrey, Albert Cockeril, Elmer Carson, Joe Fallon, Marion Furrow, Elmer Johnson, Raymond Milburn, Charles Oelze, Russell Perkins, M. D. Seaton and E. E. Tatum.

The Junior Scouts are: John McGavock, David Behen, Billy Phelps, Loyd Cockeril, Ray Meyer, Morris Quiggins, Lauren Hill, Forrest Jackson and Charles E. Jackson.

## DEAF-MUTE TRIES TO TAKE HIS LIFE

Felix Walker, Son of Frank Walker Makes Unsuccessful Attempt at Suicide.

Mr. Felix Walker, 40 years old made an unsuccessful attempt at suicide at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Walker, who live on the old Porter Atwood farm on the Cloverport-Hardinsburg pike, about noon Monday.

Walker, who is a deaf-mute and unmarried, took an old army gun and shot himself through the left shoulder. His wounds are not considered serious. He was attended by Dr. John E. Kincheloe, of Hardinsburg. Walker lives with his parents.

## TUESDAY'S TOBACCO SALE CALLED OFF AT C'PORT LOOSE LEAF HOUSE.

On account of not having enough buyers on the floor Tuesday morning the tobacco sale at the Cloverport Loos Leaf Warehouse was called off for that morning. There were only two buyers on the floor. The others having missed the train out from Owensboro.

Manager J. W. Boyle stated there would be a sale Friday morning of this week.

## INFANT DAUGHTER OF T. E. GREGORY DIES.

Katherine, the seventeen months old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Gregory, of the West End, died Monday evening, of euremia poison.

The funeral was held Wednesday morning. Services conducted by Rev. J. S. Henry, and the interment was in the St. Rose cemetery.

Mr. Gregory is a fireman on the L. H. & St. L. R. R.

## HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS WIN PRIZE

At Parent-Teachers Ass'n Get Picture of Mona Lisa; Valentine Social Planned.

The High School students of the Cloverport Public School were awarded the picture of the Mona Lisa as a result of the contest at the Parent-Teachers Association meeting held Friday afternoon in the school building. The room having the most parents represented at the meeting was the one entitled to the picture for the next month. The High School students had the largest number of representatives with the primary department second. All of the students will try again next month to win the prize picture for their room.

In addition to awarding the prize picture, members of the Association discussed having a Valentine social for the benefit of the school library. Mrs. H. G. Newsom, Miss Lucile Givens and Miss Mildred D. Babbage were appointed on a committee by the president to further the plans for the social.

There were five new members who joined the Association making a total membership of thirty-two. Twenty-seven members were present. Miss Lillian May reported over \$23 made at the candy sale before the holidays.

The program committee asked each member to give a current event at the roll call of the February meeting.

At the close of the business session the following High School girls served delicious coca and sandwiches: Misses Eva Jolly, Eleanor Reid and Selma Sippel, of the Senior class; Misses Mary Keil, Katie M. Duke, Fannie Harrington and Fannie Lishen Kramer, Juniors; Misses Sarah Fallon, Sophomore, and Misses Sarah Mae Tatum and Mary D. Hill, Freshmen.

## HUBERT LYONS AND MISS LILLIAN MORGAN WED.

Irvington, Jan. 10. (Special)—The wedding of Mr. J. Hubert Lyons and Miss Lillian Morgan, both of Meade county, was solemnized in the Baptist church at Brandenburg, Thursday evening at six o'clock. Rev. T. H. Ryan officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Morgan. Mr. Lyons is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jonas Lyons, who formerly lived here and owned the depot restaurant.

## ALFRED O. MACY WEDS MISS GRAND OF GARFIELD.

Mr. Alfred O. Macy, of Harned, 21 years old, and Miss Lucy R. Grand, of Garfield, 18 years old, were married in Louisville, last week. The groom is a school teacher in this county.

## JUDGE PAYNE'S RESIGNATION

Compelled to Leave Office Owing to Health of His Family; Expresses Appreciation of Having Been Elected.

I take this means of informing the citizens of Breckinridge county of my resignation as County Judge, to be effective Jan. 1921. It is a source of regret to me to resign, but owing to the physical condition of members of my family, I feel that my duty to them should come first and for that reason I am resigning and expect to take my family to another climate for the present.

I thank the citizens of Breckinridge county for electing me to the high office of County Judge and it has been a real pleasure to me to serve in that capacity. The duties of a County Judge are many, but I have at all times considered the interest of the county first—which my record shows. I am proud of the advancement made in the road work and the interest many citizens have taken in it. I feel that I am safe in saying that there has been more road-work done in this county in the past two years than at any previous time. While it is true that we have been handicapped in a way by reason of the price of every thing more than doubling in price. Road tools have been more than twice as high, hard to get, labor more than double and very hard to get at any price and dynamite more than three times as high as heretofore. In fact everything used in connection with road work has been higher than ever before and harder to get—which is true in every line of commodity. In the face of all that we have done an abundance of road work and the vouchers paid for said work are filed in the office with an itemized statement and account showing to whom each one was paid, the amount, time worked and date, and his endorsement thereon. We have not done as much as we would like to, but we have to be governed by the amount of money collected for road purposes.

## Expresses Appreciation.

And, I want to thank my fellow County Officers for their friendship, and help and I regret to leave them because I consider them a good bunch of competent, energetic men. Also, I deeply appreciate the kindness of the citizens of this community, and all of the attorneys of the bar—and can truly say that I never lived in a more hospitable place.

My work has at all times been pleasant—I have enjoyed the relationship among the officials and the citizens of the county which has heretofore never been my pleasure as an official and which I regret to give up, but after mature deliberation over the matter for some time—I deem it my duty to give my attention to my family first. While I could get a leave of absence for a few months, I do not feel that I could do the office justice and myself, too.

At this time I do not know who my successor will be, but I am sure he will be a man capable of discharging the duties of the office in an efficient way and I trust that the citizens will cooperate with him as they have with me. I hope to be able to return to this county within a few months and again take up my home here.

Thanking the citizens again for electing me and giving me their cooperation in my work. I am,

Very respectfully,

S. B. Payne, County Judge.

## SEA-PLANE CREATES A STIR IN STEPHENSPORT.

Stephensport, Ky., Jan. 10. (Special)—This little town was astir Thursday evening about 5 o'clock when a sea-plane landed at the mouth of Sinking Creek. All business houses were closed and all went to the river. The two men were from Canada and continued their flight, Friday morning at 9 o'clock, to Florida, amid the cheers of about a hundred people, who had gathered to see them start.

## BUYS PARTNER'S INTEREST.

Mr. Warren Purcell has purchased the interest of his partner, Luther Pate, in the Live and Let Live grocery store on the Hill. The deal which included the deed of the building and store goods to Mr. Purcell, was completed last week by Attorney V. G. Babbage.

## INFANT DIES.

Glen Dean, Jan. 10. (Special)—R. W. Jones, Jr., the five weeks old son of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Jones, died last Saturday night of bronchial trouble. The funeral was held Sunday afternoon. Services were conducted by Rev. Harvey English. The interment was in the Glen Dean cemetery.

## CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our friends for their many kindnesses during the illness and death of our baby, R. W. Jr. Especially do we appreciate the helpful attention given by Mrs. Caleb Harlow.

R. W. Jones and Wife, Glen Dean, Ky.

## COOK-MILLER

Lodi, Jan. 10. (Special)—Mr. Frank Miller and Miss Stella Cook were married Thursday, Jan. 6. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Cook. Mr. Miller is the son of Warner Miller.

## OFFICERS ELECTED IN METHODIST W. M. S.

Mrs. Shelby Conrad Elected President; Collections For Year \$222.

The new officers elected in the Woman's Missionary Society of the Cloverport Methodist church at the December meeting were: Mrs. Shelby Conrad, President; Mrs. Conrad Sippel, vice president; Mrs. David B. Phelps, recording secretary; Mrs. J. R. Randolph, corresponding secretary; Mrs. W. C. Moorman, treasurer; Mrs. T. J. Ferry, assistant treasurer; Miss Mildred D. Babbage, superintendent of Young People and Junior Missionary societies; Mrs. V. G. Babbage, Supt., of Mission Study and publicity; Mrs. W. G. Pumphrey, Supt. of Social Service; Mrs. Wm. Hoffius, Supt. of supplies.

The total collections for the year amounted to \$222. The year closing marked one of the best years in the history of the society.

## FORMER RESIDENT OF C'PORT DEAD

Mrs. Addie Dowden, of Meade County Succumbs Suddenly; Sister of Postmaster Lightfoot.

Mrs. Addie Lightfoot Dowden, widow of Mr. George Dowden, of Meade county succumbed to heart failure on Monday evening at eight o'clock at the home of her son, Beverly Dowden, of Brandenburg, with whom she lived. Her death was very sudden, although she had been suffering with heart trouble of late.

Mrs. Dowden was about seventy-four years of age. She was born and reared in Cloverport and the daughter of John Lightfoot. Her brother, Postmaster C. E. Lightfoot, of this city, is the last surviving member of this immediate family. After their marriage, Mr. and Mrs. Dowden lived in Cloverport a few years and then moved to Meade county. Mrs. Dowden was a loyal member of the Phillips Memorial Baptist church in Brandenburg. She is survived by her brother, C. E. Lightfoot, and six children: Four daughters, Mrs. Temple Dunn, of English, Ind., Mrs. Adolph Lisehart, of Jeffersonton; Mrs. Griffith Stith, of Louisville, and Mrs. Ella D. Gregory, of Brandenburg. Two sons, Darnold Dowden, of Seymour, Ind., and Beverly Dowden, of Brandenburg.

The funeral will be held Wednesday afternoon and the interment in the Brandenburg cemetery.

## PUBLIC SCHOOL HONOR ROLL FOR DECEMBER.

For the month of December the following pupils were placed on the Honor Roll at the Cloverport Public School:

First Grade—James Beavin, Jerry Carver, Mary G. Conrad, Robert Newton.

Second Grade—Bolin Conaway, Edward Nall, Rosie Pate.

Third Grade—Charles Edward Jackson, Anna Keil, Emma Lee Newton.

Fourth Grade—Malora Harrington.

Fifth Grade—Bessie Keil.

Sixth Grade—Marian Behen Katherine Phelps, Mayme B. Sawyer.

Seventh Grade—Adele Keil, Eva Lewis Miller, Magdalene Monnen.

Eighth Grade—Lucia Blythe, Anna Belle Gregory, Margaret Gregory, Lucile Kinder, Jane Sawyer.

High School—Freshman—Agnes Aldridge.

Junior—Katie Mae Duke, Mary Keil.

## SOLD \$39 WORTH CHICKENS.

Frymire, Jan. 10. (Special)—Mrs. W. E. Shelman sold a bunch of chickens to A. M. Hardin, Lodi, last week for the sum of \$39.

## BURIED IN KINGSWOOD CEMETERY

Wife of Henry Basham, of Harned Succumbs. Survived By Six Sons.

Harned, Jan. 10. (Special)—The death angel visited the home of Mr. Henry Basham, Saturday night, Jan. 1, and took from their midst his beloved wife.

The funeral services were conducted at Ephesus church Monday by Rev. Kellogg Smith and Rev. C. L. Brington after which the remains were taken to the Basham cemetery near Kingswood.

Just before her death, Mrs. Basham spoke of that home over there where she soon would dwell and asked her husband and children to meet her there. She was one of the best of God's children and though she no longer lives on this earth her influence for good will live on and on. To Mr. Basham and his six sons, the people of Harned wish to extend their heartfelt sympathy.

## YOUNG MEN'S SOCIAL CLUB RE-ORGANIZED; CLUB ROOM IN THE ELITE.

The young Men's Social Club of this city met last week and re-organized. The club members have rented the dance hall of The Elite confectionery, which they will have for their club room and regular dances.

The new officers elected were: John Hall, president; Robert Hamman, secretary and treasurer; Don Smith, Ruth Pate and Bill Seaton, compose committee to arrange for the dances.

Following are members: Bill Seaton, Billy Reid, Don Smith, A. T. Couch, Leonard Weatherholt, Beavin Tucker, Mike Tucker, Edward Graves, Curtis Weatherholt, Harry Berry, A. J. Henning, John Hall, Jess Hall, Miller Ferry, Robert Hamman, Alfred Wroe, Joe Burke, Byron Whitehead, Bernard Lewis, and Ruth Pate.

## USE TELEPHONE DIRECTORY AND CALL BY NUMBER URGES MISS LARKIN.

Miss Larkin, Supervisor of Operators for the Cumberland Telephone Company in the Louisville district, visited the Cloverport office Wednesday and Thursday. Miss Larkin reported the work of the local operators to be satisfactory. She insisted on the operators having their parties use the telephone directory and call by number in place of names. She required them to repeat the telephone number of party called for when the one calling failed to do so, and in this way accustom the users of telephones to call by number.

## W. A. BASHAM TO SUCCEED LATE ESQ. KEENAN.

Mr. William A. Basham, who resides near Balltown, has been appointed by Gov. Morrow as Justice of Peace for the Second Magisterial District of Breckinridge county, to succeed the late Esq. J. J. Keenan. With in the last Gov. Morrow has also appointed W. J. Piggott, of Irvington, Magistrate in the Fourth District as successor to the late D. C. Heron.

## BRECKINRIDGE COUNTY'S WINTER WHEAT REPORTED 85 P. C., OHIO COUNTY'S 91.

Condition of winter wheat in Breckinridge county is reported by the Kentucky Crops Report commission to be 85 per cent. Day wages with board, other than in harvest time are \$1.58 and without board \$1.75.

Hancock county's wheat condition is 81, day wages \$2 and \$2.25; Meade's wheat crop is 82, day wages \$1.75 and \$2.25; Daviess' wheat 70, wages \$1.95 and \$2.45; Ohio's wheat, 91; wages \$2.00 and \$2.45.

## Statement of the Condition of THE BANK OF HARDINSBURG & TRUST COMPANY

Hardinsburg, Kentucky

At the Close of Business December 31, 1920

### BANKING DEPARTMENT

RESOURCES		LIABILITIES	
Notes and Bills	\$630,857.96	Capital Stock	\$ 50,000.00
State Claims	381.65	Surplus	50,000.00
Overdrafts (Secured and Unsecured)	4,610.22	Undivided Profits	8,690.63
Furniture and Fixtures (New Vault)	7,976.43	Bills Payable	70,000.00
U. S. Bonds	19,450.00	DEPOSITS	518,955.95
Other Resources	123.28		
Cash and Due from Banks	33,113.83		
Total	\$697,646.58	Total	\$697,646.58

Respectfully, B. F. BEARD, Vice President

### TRUST DEPARTMENT

RESOURCES		LIABILITIES	
Cash on Hand	\$ 224.80	Deposits	\$386,593.08
Investments	326,126.55		
Income	8,845.30		
Notes and Bills	1,400.00		
Real Estate	51,996.43		
Total	\$386,593.08	Total	\$386,593.08

Respectfully, GEO. E. BESS, Cashier and Trust Officer

COMBINED DEPOSITS \$ 905,549.03  
COMBINED ASSETS \$1,084,239.66



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WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 12, 1921

## KEEP ADVERTISING.

During the months of January and February, which are some times considered dull months with merchants, and it usually is with those who slack up in their advertising, this article, taken from the Editor and Publisher's magazine is well worth reading. It says:

Advertising is more than a business tonic; it is a business necessity. That is why it is needed all the time. Of all advertising, that which carries with it the greatest waste is what is known as the "once in awhile kind."

Successful advertisers are the kind that keep it up persistently. They are judged successful because of the resulting success of their business.

Up until four years ago there was a certain soap that was known around the world. It had been the most persistently advertised article offered in the markets of the world during the previous hundred years. From the day this soap was first put on the market in 1812 it was advertised in a small way, but persistently and continuously. For the last 50 years it has been one of the best-advertised products in the world. Then the directors decided that because the factory was selling to capacity, advertising could be discontinued as a useless expense. In less than one year from that time the business of the firm dropped 35 per cent on volume. That soap is again being advertised and we understand it was necessary to spend \$5,000,000 in extra publicity, over previous appropriations to get back to normal.

This firm was not a "flier in advertising." Its product had been used for generations and was known in the homes of the world but it cost its makers \$5,000,000 to learn that advertising was as necessary to it as the raw products that enter into its making. The history of merchandising is filled with stories like this, but only a few have wound it possible to win back trade foolishly thrown away.

The Republicans can place no better qualified candidate in the field in this district for State Senator than George W. Newman, of Hancock county. Judge Newman has a host of friends of all creeds in this section. He has shown his ability several times for serving the public well. There is no question about his fitness for the place. Such men as Judge Newman in our public offices will improve our State Government wonderfully. His opponent will have a hard time winning over him.

The farmers are sure to have a friend among the United States Senators now since the election of Dr. E. F. Ladd, who for many years was president of the North Dakota Agricultural College. One policy that he advocates is: "A law that will furnish loans to the farmers at the same rate as the government makes loans to the bankers and at actual cost."

With great anticipations of seeing the Federal Highway under construction, probably some oil developments, and more traffic on the Ohio River, Cloverport has every prospect of having a fairly busy spring and summer.

"Taxi" is the title of our new serial story beginning with this issue of The Breckenridge News. It's a good story, full of pep and excitement, and if you like it, tell us about it. We like to hear the good things.

Poll taxes have been abolished in Fayette county, Ky. It used to be said that there were two things man had to do; one was to pay his poll tax, and the other die.

Read the article in this issue on "What Shall Dark Tobacco Growers Do?"

Now is the time to study your seed catalogs.

## Outlook Bright For Cloverport; Work Progresses On Government Dam At Addison

Get out your old hand saw and grease it up, sharpen up your hatchet, and if you haven't a suit of overalls better get one for it isn't going to be long before something is going to be doing in the old town!

The building of the Federal Highway, the big Lock and Dam at Addison, with good prospects of striking oil, things are going to jump and you had better be ready to get a slice of the big government pie that is going to be cut here this summer.

Work on Dam 45 at Addison is beginning to assume some shape, as a large crew of men are working on the buildings. Eight 3 and 4 room cottages have already been built. They are painted a dark green with white trimmings and are made very convenient. A large two story mess hall and bunk house are nearing completion. Just above this building is being erected a two story office building, and further up the railroad, three large warehouses are in the course of construction. These buildings are sided up with metal, and roof of the same. They are all painted red.

A small switch engine is kept busy all the time placing cars and at other work. The wing of the coffee dam is now being built, and all day long the digger is scooping up the sand and gravel to fill in between the wooden walls of the dam.

A water-works system is now being built. The tank will be on top of the Mussel Shell hill below the works, and the water mains are now being laid and also a sewerage system for the cottages which are being built.

The open weather has been favorable for working conditions, which enables the workers to make more progress than was generally expected at this time of year. Providing no exceedingly high water comes this season, it is expected that this work will give employment to several hundred men at Addison this year. As it will take at least five years to complete the dam, a big sum of money will be scattered throughout the community.

**Federal Highway Coming.**  
Then comes the building of the Federal Highway, which is expected to begin at an early date, this will call for a large number of teams, many laborers of all kinds and bridge builders also. Besides, the big concrete bridge which will span Clover creek, will also take some time and many employees to construct it.

A mile of street is to be built and then to be surfaced with a top of asphalt. All this is going to require many laborers to do it.

But what is Cloverport going to do on the housing of the many who will naturally want to move here. Build more houses is the only logical way to take care of the people.

**Building Prospects.**  
Early building on a store house will be started soon by John Weisenberg on Main street. The material is now

being assembled. Dr. Jesse Baucum will probably build an office building this season. An effort is being made to build a row of concrete store and office buildings to replace those that were burned last year. A large moving picture show house is also in contemplation.

The Standard Oil Co., and the Stoll Oil Refining Co., of Louisville both have made applications to the city council for permits to erect storage houses and tanks. Fuel burning boats now on the Ohio river make the distribution of oil along the river necessary.

Then what about a big oil boom that is sure to strike! The oil well which is going to be put down at the old town Victoria is right down through the old canal coal bed and is likely to be a winner.

**Pre-Historic Days.**  
In pre-historic days, this famous bed of canal coal was bituminous coal, and for ages soaked by vast lakes of petroleum lying beneath this bed of coal, it became so soaked in oil that even a splinter when lighted with a match would readily burn. So for years oil was extracted from it. Later the coal was a necessary adjustment to steam boats for torch light. The striking of oil in this field is sure to be a gusher.

Paul Lewis is interested in the building of concrete sidewalks from the foot of the Baptist church hill to R. O. Perkins corner and Edward Gregory in the great white walk way from the depot to the shops. The shops, Ice Plant and Loose Leaf house will put down their part of the walk.

With building material on a downward trend it looks like a lot of improvements will be made here this season.—E. G.

## FAMILY PRIDE GOETH BEFORE HEIRLOOM VALUATION

Family heirlooms cause more trouble and embarrassment than any other hereditary failings. They have to be lived up to, and they have to be venerated. They are always displayed proudly to the appreciative spectator who has no family heirloom of his own, in which case the proud possessor of the antique fairly overwhelms you with his family history.

Now Miss C— was a perfectly nice girl in all respects but one; she had a family heirloom, a gold bracelet studded with pearls. It was very beautiful—for an heirloom—and every chance visitor had of it. Then followed its history, and the history of all the famous people who had owned it. The visitor usually departed with the impression that an Indian prince would be proud to have it.

It was a long time before Miss C— could gather up courage enough to take it to a jeweler and have a valuation placed on it. One fatal day, however she took herself sternly in hand and gave it to a jeweler. She was to return for it the next day. As luck

## SCHOOL NEWS AND VIEWS

The Hickory Lick school near Tarkenton opened on January 3, with Miss Anna Patterson as teacher. Miss Patterson reports a good enrollment and much interest in the school. Of the thirty-five schools without teachers at the beginning of September, Hickory Lick is the last one to be supplied and for the first time this year we have all the schools supplied with teachers.

Mr. and Mrs. N. B. White, the teachers at Custer, are at their home in Ohio county on account of the illness of their son, and that school has been closed for several weeks.

The examination for Common School Diploma will be held at Hardinsburg and Stephensport on Friday Saturday, January 28th and 29th. The examination for colored applicants will be held at Hardinsburg.

Mr. R. T. Laslie, who is teaching at Robbins, reports that the pupils in that school have made the greatest progress he has ever seen in any rural school. Mr. Laslie is working for a mail delivery route through that community and feels assured of securing it. There are many things outside the school room which a teacher can do for a community.

Mr. H. A. Ater closed his school at McGehee near Irvington on Friday of last week. Miss Judith Watlington will close her school at Bethel on Friday of this week.

Mr. Driskell and Miss Nell Sheeran will close their school at McQuady on Friday of this week. They report an attendance to date of close of 80 per cent of the census. Mr. Driskell will begin his Normal School at Harned on January 31.

would have it when she was on her way to the jewelry shop she met a friend who had no ancestors to speak of, and who was properly impressed every time she saw the bracelet. It was the golden opportunity. The meeting was rapturous.

"My dear!" gushed Miss C—, "I'm so glad to see you! You must have lunch with me! I insist on it! If you will only go with me first while I get my bracelet. You remember that very valuable heirloom I have? I left it at the jeweler's to see what its intrinsic value really is. It's the sentiment which really counts, of course, but one is curious you know. I think you guard things more carefully, too, if you realize how much money they are worth. It will only take a minute to get it. I am after Miss C—'s bracelet," she explained to the clerk. "And what is the value?" she asked gracefully.

"Eight dollars." — Indianapolis News.

## HILL ITEMS

Dr. T. N. Williams will fill his appointment at the Lucile Memorial Presbyterian church next Sunday morning at the usual hour. In the evening the union service of the Methodist and Presbyterian churches will be held at the Methodist church. Dr. Williams will preach. You are very cordially invited to attend.

Douglas Williams, of Louisville, was in town last week to see his sister-in-law, Mrs. Martha Noble.

Mrs. Cleve Miller and Mrs. R. S. Pate had as their guest, Mrs. Jolly from the country.

Arthur Daugherty, Emmett Sippel and Orb Kasey came from Dam 45 Saturday evening. Mr. Daugherty returned Sunday.

Orville Mattingly, with a friend from Camp Knox, were the guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Mattingly.

Mrs. Marian Allen has returned to her school in Cincinnati.

Mr. Felix Dun, of near town, was a guest of his sister, Mrs. Simon Beavin, last week.

J. A. Satterfield, of Pineville, with his son, James Allen, have returned home after a visit to relatives. Mr. Satterfield came expecting to meet his nephew, C. R. Satterfield, who had returned to New York City, on Saturday evening.

Mr. Bud Isom from near town has moved in with his son-in-law, Sam Allen, and Mrs. Allen.

## THE SALT BOX CRADLE

When I see little girls today  
With dolls so fine and toys so gay,  
I wonder just what they would say  
To 'see a Salt Box Cradle!

For 'way back there in '78,  
When every door-yard had a gate,  
Our dolls, down in the Pine Tree State,  
Were rocked in Salt Box Cradles.

Salt came in wooden boxes then,  
And little rockers made by men,  
Were whittled out, and nailed on,  
When  
They made a Salt Box Cradle.

Dad never hurried, so that he  
Took time to fix up one for me;  
'Twas painted blue, just like the sea,  
My little Salt Box Cradle!

My mother made a feather bed,  
And pillows for my dolly's head;  
"You want it comfortable," she said,  
"It 'tis a Salt Box Cradle."

Three, "Lily Grace" (these I recall),  
And one brown-eyed, beloved wax doll,  
And "Daisy Em"—that's really all  
Rocked in my Salt Box Cradle.

These had the measles and the mumps  
And broken limbs and many bumps,  
But they were cured, with sugar lumps,  
Cured in the Salt Box Cradle.

I hope the little girls today,  
With all their trappings bright and gay,  
Are happy as I was—Are they  
Without a Salt Box Cradle?  
—Gertrude Louise Small.

## Five Minute Chats on Our Presidents

By JAMES MORGAN

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### CLEVELAND CAME BACK

1893—March 4, Grover Cleveland inaugurated a second time, aged fifty-five.

May, a great panic began. July 1, Cleveland went under surgical operation for cancer. Oct. 30, The Silver act repealed.

1894—July 4 Cleveland sent troops to Chicago to intervene in railroad strike.

Aug. 27, the Wilson-Gorman tariff became law without president's signature.

1895—Feb. 7, Cleveland made arrangement with J. P. Morgan and others for protection of gold reserve. Dec. 17, sent in his Venezuela message.

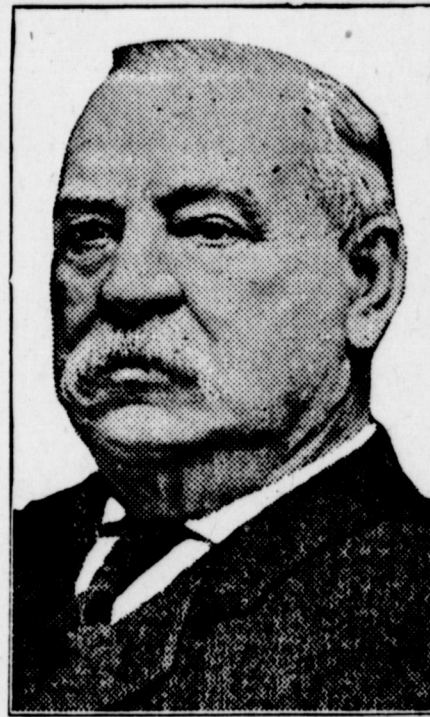
1908—June 24, Cleveland died at Princeton, N. J., aged seventy-one.

GROVER CLEVELAND had no more than left the presidency in defeat and settled down to the practice of law in New York City than it was seen that he was still almost as much the leader of the Democratic party as when he was in the White House.

In the four years of his retirement, he seldom saw party leaders. Yet so strong was the reaction against the Republicans and so loud the call for him in 1892 that he returned in triumph to the White House.

One of the periodical panics of the 19th century smote the country with a financial and industrial paralysis in 1893, only two months after the inauguration. As usual, the party in power caught the blame, and day after day a leading Republican newspaper shouted in gleeful headlines: "Another bank gone Democratic!"

As the first means of restoring confidence, Cleveland called a special ses-



Grover Cleveland.

sion of congress for the purpose of having it repeal the Silver act of the Harrison administration. The next day he submitted himself to the surgeon's knife for the removal of a cancerous ulcer which had appeared in the roof of his mouth. His grave physical condition was concealed from the public, and the operation was performed in the closest secrecy aboard a yacht as it steamed slowly up the East River, off New York. Not until many years had passed was it known that when congress assembled he faced it with a rubber jaw.

Under the pressure of the president.

the Silver act was repealed, but only after a bitter struggle which left the Democratic party hopelessly split. The passage of a tariff bill divided the party still more. It was such a lobby-made, log-rolling measure that Cleveland refused to sign it, but let it become law without his signature. After that the Democrats went down in defeat in the congressional elections of 1894.

In the depth of our domestic troubles the president sent his famous Venezuelan message to congress. In it he announced that the British government had rejected all our appeals for the arbitration of a land dispute which it was pressing in South America, and he boldly proposed that we ourselves should decide the question and then proceed to enforce our decision.

Stocks tumbled headlong in London and New York, and there was much wild talk on both sides of the Atlantic. But the president confidently reassured his troubled private secretary, "Thurber, this does not mean war; it means arbitration." And that was the outcome of all the hubbub. Cleveland's outburst of plain speaking had the effect of awakening the English people, as never before, to the value of American friendship, and it opened a new era in the relations of the two governments.

Cleveland's hardest, longest battle in his second administration was for the gold standard. Almost alone he upheld it through four years, abandoned by most of the Democrats and unaided by the gold Republicans in congress, who were afraid of "hurting the party" with the silver people.

## I WANT MY COW.

Yes, a long time ago; it was in 1777 that a brave little girl and a brave English General met each other, and all about a cow! It was during the war of American Independence when Lord Cornwallis was General of the English army. An English foraging party had invaded the farm belonging to Major Rudolph and carried off a valuable cow, the special pet of Anne Rudolph, twelve years old. When the English soldier took the cow she implored them to spare it; then, failing to move them, she rushed to the stable, saddled her spirited pony and galloped off to the quarters of the English General Cornwallis, hoping to reach him before her pet cow would be killed. When she reached the British lines, the guard demanded her business.

"I must see the General at once." "But I must know your business before I can let you pass. The General must not be troubled by trifles. Where have you come from?"

"From Darby, and my business is to see the General at once; no one can tell him but myself," cried the excited child. It was late in the day and Lord Cornwallis was with a number of officers, when the child was brought to him.

He said kindly, "Well, child, I am the General. What do you want?"

"I want my cow."

There was deep silence and then roars of laughter from the officers. The young girl's eyes flashed, but she stood firm.

"Why did your father not come?" asked the General.

She replied, "My father is from home, but General, while you keep me here they may be killing my cow."

"And where are your brothers?" asked the General.

"The eldest is with General Gates, the second is with Harry Lee," she replied, "and my father is with General Washington."

"So, do then I think you are a little rebel," said the General.

"Yes, sir, but—I want my cow."

Lord Cornwallis was a noble gentleman. He said: "You are a brave child, you shall have your cow, and something more." Then, stooping, he detached one of his diamond shoe buckles, and gave it to her, saying, "Keep this and remember Lord Cornwallis can appreciate courage and truth, even in a little rebel."

So Anne obtained her cow and her descendants still treasure the gift of Lord Cornwallis to her—Our Dumb Animals.

## BIRDS ON THE FARM.

Their Superiority to the Cat as an Asset Is Asserted.

To The New York Herald: I had not supposed it possible that in 1920 any correspondent of your paper could make the assertion that "a cat is more useful than all the birds can possibly be" to farmers. Therefore I was surprised to read A. C. Week's letter.

For some years in our public schools in the country even the child have been taught the great value of birds from an economic point of view. The migratory bird law has attracted much attention and the bulletins of the Department of Agriculture have been so carefully studied that I thought every one living in the country or the suburbs understood the devastation wrought by insects, and apart from the costly and difficult job of spraying trees and bushes the only way of keeping the hordes of marauders in check is by the help of the birds.

Elaborate calculations have been made by biological experts and it has been determined how many insects are put out of commission during the nesting season by a single pair of adult birds through the destruction of the insects themselves and their eggs and larvae, which would later develop into insects. The amount when multiplied by the number of birds in a single State becomes almost unbelievable.

The cat is valuable to the farmer's wife by killing the mice in the pantry, but carefully set traps would dispose of these and very few cats would or could cope with the gray squirrels or the great rats which prey upon the grain in the farmers' granaries. As for the field mice so destructive to fruit trees, the slow sailing hawks, not the swift small chicken hawks but the butecs, cope with them more effectively than domestic cats, whose name implies their nature and habits.

Of all the farmer's assets insectivorous birds are among the most valuable. F. L. Russell, New York, January 3.

## HIGH LIVING AND PLAIN THINKING.

There is a town out in Ohio (let it be nameless) which has just perpetrated an exploit that is too typical to be flattering.

A noted journalist cast some aspersions on its hotel accommodations. Now the town notifies him that it has built a huge and expensive hotel and invites him to come back and try again.

This is, of course, hospitable; but it is hospitality of the show-window variety. This ambition of a town to have a smart hotel as much like a junior edition of a New York hostelry as possible is a part of our prevailing American cult of . . . well, did we ever hear of "plain living and high thinking"? One would hardly suppose so. But at all events we are quite keen about "high living and plain thinking."

There is a small city in Maine where the business men (one of them had evidently been down to Broadway) thought it would put the town on the way to have a double row of brilliant electric lights the length of Main street—at least in the business district. They were planning to spend the town's money quite generously for this tin-horn imitation of a Gay White Way. (Or is it the Primrose Path?) Anyhow a sensible woman went to the Board of Aldermen and told them that the High School boys and girls were being obliged to leave the town after graduation to find something to do or else spend their lives in minor jobs at home. She said, what any of them might have seen on a little reflection, that it was less important to impress strangers with the up-and-coming it is of the town than to keep their own best blood at home busy and wholesome.

A town, like a person, has two ways to invest its money: One, where it will show; the other, where it will count. As between exterior decorations of one's back, or interior decorations of one's brain, what rational being could pause to choose? As between putting one's town on the map with a cheap and vulgar imitation of the cheapest and most vulgar aspects of New York, life, or keeping the town's young folks on the home map, where is the choice?

## Tobacco Growers!

Our first sale at the Breckinridge Loose Leaf Warehouse will be Saturday, January 15, 1921.

We beg of you in behalf of yourselves and the welfare of the county to bring your Dark tobacco to this sale. We advise you to keep your Durley off the market until the price is established.

Our usual buyers will be on the floor and your tobacco will bring all it is worth on any market. We predict fair prices considering the way tobacco is selling.

Give us a trial. Bring your tobacco if you want to sell it.

## BRECKINRIDGE LOOSE LEAF WAREHOUSE COMPANY

HARDINSBURG, KENTUCKY



# The Breckenridge News

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## Personal Mention

Mrs. W. H. Jolly and Miss Lena Pacey, of Sample, were guests Saturday of Mrs. Lucy Pate on the Hill.

Mrs. Wm. Minnett, of Owensboro, and Mrs. Walter Graham, of Louisville, have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Price Graham and Mr. and Mrs. Gus May.

Celestine O'Connell, of Detroit, Mich., is the guest of his mother, Mrs. J. T. O'Connell.

Mrs. Carrie Sills and Mrs. Bertha Siefert, of Detroit, Mich., have been the guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Blair, of Hardinsburg, Route 2, Mesdames. Sills and Siefert are employed as bookkeepers at the Ford Motor Co.'s office in Detroit.

Mrs. Mannie Moorman, of Hardinsburg, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Moorman, and of her sister, Mrs. Ella B. Oglesby.

Mrs. Brandon Mitchell and children, of Reed, Ky., are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Jennings.

Miss Pauline Moorman, of Louisville, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. John Burn, Sunday and Monday and attended the Burn-Kirk wedding.

Miss Allie Keys, of Lodi, who spent a month with her aunt, Mrs. Joe B. Fitch, during her illness, returned home Saturday. Mrs. Fitch is convalescing slowly.

Mrs. B. F. Ridgeway and son, James Franklin, were in Louisville, Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Squires were the week-end guests of Mrs. Squires' brother, Mr. Hugh McGavock, and Mrs. McGavock, of Webster.

Miss Maud Griffith, of Auburn, Ky., is spending a few days with Mrs. Joe Ross at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Oelze.

Mrs. Frank Payne will be hostess to the Ladies Reading Club this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dupps have returned to their home in Louisville after visiting Mrs. Dupps' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Blair.

Capt. J. H. Holmes and Mrs. Holmes, who spent the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Shelby Conrad and Mrs. E. B. Oglesby, motored to Louisville, Friday where they will be for two months during Capt. Holmes' furlough.

Mrs. Eldred A. Babbage will be hostess to the Wednesday Club this week.

Rev. Frank E. Lewis, pastor of the Methodist church, Lewisport, Ky., is spending several days visiting at the winter resorts in Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. Muriel Morrison, of Campbellsburg, were here last week for a short visit with Mr. and Mrs. William Hoffius.

Mr. W. W. Williams, of Hawesville was in Cloverport on business Friday.

Miss Nannie Collins, who has been ill at her home is improving.

Misses Eva May Allgood and Effie Lee Voyes were the guests of Miss Pearl Blair, Sunday.

Mrs. Wick DeHaven and adopted daughter, of Fordsville, are in Ocala, Florida the guests of Mrs. DeHaven's sister, Mrs. Howard Clark. Mr. DeHaven will leave this week to join Mrs. DeHaven.

Mrs. John Burn is recovering from an illness of a severe cold at her home on Railroad street.

Mrs. Mike Hamman will go to Tell City this week to spend several days with her sister, Mrs. Chas Fuch, and Mr. Fuch.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Beard and Mrs. F. L. Lightfoot, of Hardinsburg, were here Wednesday and Thursday and were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Payne and Mrs. Rebecca Lightfoot.

Mrs. R. B. Pierce was the guest of Miss Laura Satterfield at the Satterfield homestead on Friday.

Mr. J. W. Pate was in Dayton, O., last week to see his son, Amiel Pate, and Mrs. Pate.

Mrs. Wordie Graham and sons, James and Roy Graham, and Mr. Carl Gregory, of Louisville, were the week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Morrison.

Mr. A. B. Skillman was in Louisville, Thursday where he had shipped a car load of hogs from his farm in Skillman. Mr. Skillman, who is nearing the nineties caught the early morning train with only 15 minutes in which to make it, disposed of his cattle at a fair profit, and returned on the afternoon train. He is considered one of the best, and is possibly the eldest and most active farmer for his years, in this and Hancock counties.

## ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE

All persons having claims against the estate of the late Dr. Forrest L. Lightfoot, are notified to present them to the undersigned Administrator, at the County Clerk's office in Hardinsburg, Kentucky, duly proven as required by law, on or before February 1, 1921.

All persons knowing themselves indebted to the estate are requested to come forward and settle at once.

Mrs. Forrest L. Lightfoot, Adm'r. of the estate of Dr. Forrest L. Lightfoot.

## BEWLEYVILLE

R. J. Cain and Don Cain were in Hardinsburg, Saturday. Don has entered school there.

Miss Bertha Foote, of Brandenburg, spent several days at home last week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Jolly and Mrs. Bettie Lee McCoy spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Z. T. Smith.

Emmett and Will C. Dooley, of Stiths Valley, spent the week-end with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. B. F. McCoy.

Miss Mary E. Dowell has returned home after spending some time in town.

The long distance telephone workmen are still in town very much to the delight to the ones who like to play rock.

David Hardaway is confined to his room with rheumatism.

We are glad to report Mrs. J. M. Walker as much improved.

Miss Mary Louise Hardaway returned Tuesday to Frankfort where she will resume her studies.

Hon. Chas. R. Blanford has been somewhat indisposed but is better at this writing.

## RIGHT IN THE VAN THEN

A mud-spattered doughboy slouched in into the "Y" but where an entertainment was in progress and slumped into a front seat.

Firm, kindly and efficient, a man approached him, saying: "Sorry buddy, but the entire front section is reserved for officers."

Wearily the youth arose. "Allright," he drawled, "but the one I just got back from wasn't."—American Legion Weekly.

## SOCIETY ITEMS

Of Personal Interest

### Quiet Home Wedding Of Miss Jeanette Burn.

A quiet home wedding was that of Miss Jeanette W. Burn and Mr. Edgar Kirk, of Princeton, Ind., which was solemnized Monday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock. The Rev. J. R. Randolph pastor of the Methodist church, performed the ring ceremony in the presence of the bride's immediate family.

There were no attendants. Miss Margaret Burn, sister of the bride, played the wedding music.

The bride wore her traveling dress of brown cloth with a brown satin and straw hat and wore a corsage of sweet peas.

Following the ceremony, Mr. and Mrs. Kirk left immediately for Louisville, and from there they will go to Camp Meade, N. J., to reside while Mr. Kirk is in the army service as a Warrant Officer of the Headquarters Brigade, 7th Division.

Mrs. Kirk is the third daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Burn of this city, and is one of the most popular members in the circle of the former Friday Club girls.

### Wedding Supper For Peyton-Kinkead Nuptial.

The wedding supper for the Peyton-Kinkead pre-nuptial was served Friday evening at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank W. Peyton, of Hardinsburg. The dining table was tastefully arranged with decorations of cut flowers. The color scheme of pink and white being carried out. Covers were laid for Mr. and Mrs. Peyton, Miss Peyton, Miss Isabelle Gardner, Martha Gardner, Ruth Kincheol and Annie Lee Bishop. Messrs. Chas. B. Kinkead, Franklin Beard and Mack Peyton, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Hook and Mrs. Sallie M. Beard.

### Miss Peyton Weds Mr. Charles B. Kinkead.

The wedding of Miss Margaret Peyton and Mr. Charles B. Kinkead, of Huntington, W. Va., was solemnized Saturday afternoon, January 8, at 3 o'clock in the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank W. Peyton, of Hardinsburg. The Rev. R. H. Roe, pastor of the M. E. church, South, officiated in the presence of the immediate family of the bride and a few friends.

The home was effectively decorated with potted plants and pink roses.

Mrs. Thos. Withers played Lohengrin's wedding march for the bridal party as they entered and during the ceremony she played Nevin's Love Song.

Mrs. Sallie M. Beard was the bride's only attendant, and the groom had as his best man, Mr. J. M. Peyton, a brother of the bride.

The bride was becomingly gowned in a brown costume with which she wore a corsage of Madame Ward's roses.

The matron of honor wore a blue tricot dress and a blue hat.

Immediately after the ceremony, Mr. and Mrs. Kinkead left for a short wedding trip. They will be at home after Jan. 15, at 2520 First Avenue, Huntington, W. Va.

### Misses McGavock Entertained With Bridge Party.

Misses Mary and Addie McGavock entertained on Thursday evening with a bridge party at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leon McGavock in the East End. Playing at the two tables were: Misses McGavock and Miss Marib Willis, Messrs. Alfred Wroe, Jimmie Fitch and Arthur Terry Couch, Mr. and Mrs. David B. Phelps.

## FARMERS

Do you want to try raising cucumber pickles next year. If you do see Mr. Babbage at the Loose Leaf Sale in Cloverport, next Friday. It is a good proposition and good money. An acre will make you more money than five acres of tobacco. Make it with less work and less time. Think about it and come prepared to sign up for one or two acres.

## "TOTEM POLES" TELL STORY

Are Historical Records, and Not, as Many Supposed, Idols to Be Worshipped.

An art in sculpture not resembling any other art in the world, unless possibly that of ancient Mexico, is found highly developed among the aboriginal natives of the northwest coast.

Their material is always wood, and is furnished by huge trees from the forest, which are carved into the most fantastic shapes. In this style are sculptured the so-called "totem poles," which, often of great size and height, astonish the observer by the intricacy of their workmanship and the weird imaginativeness of their complex designs.

Early missionaries in that part of the world mistook the totem poles for idols. As a matter of fact, they possess no such significance, being merely heraldic columns. Each tribal clan has its own traditions and myths, which takes the place of history, and these are symbolized by the extraordinary birds and other animals, sometimes human faces or figures, carved on the totem poles.

Thus the Bear clan will have its heraldic column topped by the sculptured figure of a bear. The raven shows up conspicuously as the totem, or crest, of the Raven clan; the whale for the Whale clan, and so on.

To the unversed a totem pole would have no significance beyond its queerness, but it is in reality a whole story carved in wood.

## CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENTS

NOTE—Please notify the editor when you desire advertisements discontinued.

### FOR SALE

FOR SALE—40 bushels High Grade Clover seed. Re-cleaned, clear of buckhorn and other trash. Joe E. Holland, Lewisport, Ky. 29 1t

FOR SALE—Plymouth Rock and Rhode Island Cockerels, Game Roosters, for sale on walk. Taylor Beard, Hardinsburg, Ky. 29 2t

FOR SALE—2 good mules, one 4 years old the other coming 3 years, one 2 row corn planter, good as new. Will take good note. Nat L. Taul, Hardinsburg, Route 3, Ky. 29 3t

FOR SALE—Splendid span of mares, good wagon and harness, mares 6 and 7 years old work anywhere and true pullers, weight 2,400 pounds. Will sell at a bargain. Address J. D. Seaton, Cloverport, Ky.

FOR SALE—Old newspapers, 5c a bunch. Breckenridge News office, Cloverport, Ky.

FOR SALE—Blank Deeds and Mortgages. The Breckenridge News, Cloverport, Ky.

### TYPE WRITER FOR SALE

FOR SALE—Remington typewriter No. 6, Remodeled. Good as new. Further information call or write The Breckenridge News, Cloverport, Ky.

### WANTED

PILES CURED—At home. Fistula fissures, ulceration, bleeding, itching.—Write for free trial. S. U. Tarney, Auburn, Ind. 29 1t

GET INTO BUSINESS—Watkins 137 products sell to every farmer. If you own auto or team can give home, write today for information where you can get territory for selling products of largest institution of kind in world. Twenty million users. J. R. WATKINS CO., Dept 111, Winona, Minn.

WANTED—Tenant for 150 acre farm, three miles North of Glen Dean. Tenant to furnish everything. A. X. Kincheol, Hardinsburg, Ky.

WANTED—At once. Timber cutters and tie makers. Good prices. Write or call J. M. Rhodes, Webster, Ky.

### LOST

LOST—Female fox bound with white and brown spots. Good reward. J. Fisher Moorman, Glen Dean, Ky.

## DISCOVER NATURAL GAS AT H'BURG

### Residents of County Seat Get Hopes Raised for Use of Gas From Recent Discoveries.

The Record-Press, Hardinsburg, gives the following account of a discovery of natural gas near the county seat where the Breckenridge Oil Company is boring for oil. The Press says:

Considerable excitement has been caused by the discovery of a strong flow of gas in the Blair well No. 1 which is being drilled by the Breckenridge Oil Company. This flow of gas was encountered in a seam of sand stone at a depth of 200 feet and was sufficient to blow water out of the hole and continued until the following morning; the flow of course has been retarded by further drilling, as the Breckenridge Oil Company is in search of oil and not gas. Residents of Hardinsburg are manifesting considerable interest as they see a possibility of securing natural gas for heating and cooking purposes. Another feature which might be considered advantageous is that it has stimulated a number of our citizens to get fountain pen and some blank leases and start out on a useful occupation.

There have been several parties in town interested in the oil and gas possibilities during the week and it begins to look as though Breckenridge county will receive considerable attention from oil men in the future. The well is now at a depth of about 250 feet and no water encountered.

## CALL FOR UNWRITTEN BOOKS

Public Libraries Give List of Works Reading People Would Seem to Appreciate.

The Publishers' Weekly has collected from public libraries a list of unwritten books that should be available. Included in this list is a book on cookery practice, an illustrated monograph on canoes or a history of Moslem art, an up-to-date, comprehensive American book on iron and steel metallurgy.

Histories of Armenia and Oregon are alike demanded. A book on cobblestone fireplaces, with dimensions and drawings, is wanted, and another on European peasant costumes.

Enough is said on the lack of a new etiquette book when it is stated that the latest good one is dated 1913.

A work to "prevent amateur gardeners from pulling up a plant instead of a weed" would be as useful as an index to essays or a treatise on septic tanks. The field in concordances is enormous.

Anyone with ten years to spare can start a Browning concordance at once. "A history of the novel from the very beginning and in all countries" is a rather more ambitious proposal, preparatory reading for which might occupy a few decades.

Balzac's phrase for books he dreamed some day of writing, made familiar by Stevenson, was "enchanted cigarettes." Here are enchanted cigarettes by the gross for publishers. We may hope that some of the needed books mentioned by the libraries will be supplied.

Or will authors persist in writing the books they want to write instead of the books that are needed?—New York Evening Post.

Workers Agree to Cut in Wages. Employees of a large brick company at Edwardsville, Ill., have agreed to an 18 per cent. wage reduction, on condition that the company reduce the price of bricks \$2 a thousand.

## Our Inventory Brings to Light Many Good Items For Your Consideration

Munsingwear  
Men's Suits  
Men's Overcoats  
Ladies' Coats  
Ladies' House Dresses  
Ladies' Bungalow Aprons

It will be to your interest to let us demonstrate the values we are offering

J. C. NOLTE & BRO.

## BRIEF LOCAL ITEMS

Mr. A. R. Crawford, ticket agent for the L. H. & St. L. R. R. returned to his office Wednesday after an absence of five days due to illness. His place was supplied by Curtis Weatherholt.

Miss Rebecca Ricketts, of this city and of Union Star, was remembered with a nice sum of money bequeathed to her by the will of her cousin, Miss Hannah Ricketts, whose death occurred recently in Maryville, Mo.

The Breckenridge News has been complimented with pretty calendars from Squires and Bandy, Star Roller Mills, Cloverport and Compton Bros. Insurance Agents, Hardinsburg.

Mr. Ernest Gregory, formerly employed as book-keeper for L. H. & St. L. R. R., coal office at Irvington, has been made book-keeper for Jas. N. Cordrey, foreman of the railroad shops here.

The latest news in regard to the Federal Highway is that the estimates will be completed this month and the contract will probably be released in March for building the road through Breckenridge and Hancock counties.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry G. Newsom have purchased the property of the late Mrs. Kate B. Rowland. Cash consideration private.

Messrs. M. M. Denton and V. M. Pierce were in Louisville, Saturday, where Mr. Denton purchased a five passenger Nash car.

## BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Mr. and Mrs. Austin Beavin are being congratulated on the arrival of a son, Albert Patrick, at their home on Railroad street, Sunday, Jan. 9. The new arrival bears the name of his two grandfathers, late Albert Beavin and Mr. Pat Masterson, of Troy, Ind.

A daughter, Pearl, arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Jennings Bryant, in Eastland, Wednesday, Jan. 5.

Mr. and Mrs. Van Atwell announce the arrival of a son, John Richard, on Thursday, Dec. 30, at their home in Eastland.

An eleven pound boy arrived at the

home of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Ballman, on Dec. 31. He will be christened Francis Xavier.

## STATE OF KENTUCKY HAS SURPLUS OF TEACHERS

Frankfort, Ky., Jan. 8.—Kentucky now has a surplus of school teachers, according to statement of Superintendent of Public Instruction George Colvin made here today in a review of the school situation in Kentucky. The state was reported to be short 2,250 teachers in 1919, he said. The present surplus is placed at 200.

The increase in the number of teachers available for Kentucky schools is due, according to the superintendent, to the fact that salaries were increased last year almost 100 per cent. He said that prior to 1920 many teachers were reported to be receiving not more than \$35 a month while county superintendents received as low of \$50 a month, making it impossible to obtain qualified men and women for the positions.

More than 1,000 schools were reported to be idle during 1919 he said, while 1,000 were taught only part of the time and 1,000, taught by "emergency" teachers. This he said, has been corrected.

## Where There's a Baby On Farm Keep Rat-Snap.

Rats are on most farms. Once they get inside the house—look out. Rats kill infants—biting them is not unusual. Nursing bottles attract rats. Break a cake of RAT-SNAP and throw it around. It will surely rid you of rats and mice. Three sizes, 35c, 65c, \$1.25. Sold and guaranteed by Conrad Payne & Co., Cloverport, and B. F. Beard & Co., Hardinsburg—Advertisement.

## Dr. O. E. HART

## VETERINARY SURGEON

Will be in

HARDINSBURG, KY.,

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## D. OF C. EMPLOYEES GET SALARIES CUT

Committee Cuts Expenses By Lopping of Salaries of 12,183 Employees at Washington.

Washington, Jan. 6.—The legislative executive and judicial appropriation bill, the big salary measure reported out today by the House Appropriations committee, carried a total of \$112,728,438, or \$23,724,196 less than departments asked for, and 35,728,771 below the amount appropriated for the current year.

As an indication of the wartime increase the bill's total in 1916 was \$36,910,799, but as one means of cutting expenses the committee lopped off salaries for 12,183 employees in the District of Columbia.

An appropriation of \$10,000,000 was recommended for the Bureau of Internal Revenue to be used largely in enforcement of prohibition.

The largest cuts in appropriations for departments as compared with those of last year were:

Treasury department \$6,906,611.

Department of Commerce, \$3,807,250.

War Department, \$2,927,870.

Navy Department, \$382,770.

The subcommittee estimated that an additional \$5,000,000 would be saved if congress followed the recommendation of the subcommittee that the \$240 annual bonus granted federal employees not apply in the case of federal employees whose pay is adjustable by wage boards or similar authority in accord with commercial rates paid locally for the same class of service.

The subcommittee explained that the excess of \$73,794,949, in the present bill over that for the fiscal year 1916 resulted largely from federal activities growing out of the war.

Practically all of the amount cut

from the department of commerce was due to a reduction of \$3,785,000 in the allowance for the Census bureau, which is completing its work on the last census.

No decrease in the number of employees in the Bureau of War Risk Insurance is required, but the bureau's appropriation was reduced from \$10,324,400 to \$7,145,400. It asked for \$12,543,050.

## NATIONAL FOREST IN KENTUCKY IS RECOMMENDED.

Washington, Jan. 5.—Recommendation that a national forest be established in eastern Kentucky is contained in the annual report of the National Forest Reservation commission made public today.

Congress has been asked to make a lump sum appropriation of \$10,000,000 to enable the commission to continue its purchase program. New appropriations will be used first to consolidate established areas and, second, to extend the purchase work to important regions where the assistance and example of the federal government in forestry practice is needed.

Should the appropriation be allowed it is probable that a national forest will be established in northern Kentucky.

## CORNERSTONE IS LAID FOR ROOSEVELT HOME AT SITE OF BIRTHPLACE.

New York, Jan. 6.—The second anniversary of the death of Theodore Roosevelt was observed here today by the laying of the cornerstone of the Roosevelt House. This building will be erected on the site of the Roosevelt homestead, 28 East Twenty-eighth street, the former president's birthplace, by the Woman's Roosevelt Memorial association. In the presence of the widow and sons of the former president, Major General Wood placed the cornerstone in position. Others present included a number of foreign notables.

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## 2,325,000 WORKERS OUT OF EMPLOYMENT IN UNITED STATES.

Greatest Industrial Slump Since Panic of 1907.

Washington, Jan. 5.—A total of 2,325,000 workers are out of employment in the country, according to a survey of the industrial situation made by Clint C. Houston, for the current issue of Labor, official organ of Plumb Plan league. Mr. Houston asserts that his inquiry disclosed the greatest industrial slump since the money panic of 1907.

The larger groups of unemployed by industries given by the survey were:

Building trades, 300,000; automobile, 250,000; textiles, 225,000; clothing, 150,000; railroads, 200,000; steel and iron, 150,000; shipping, 125,000; food products, 100,000; amusements, 75,000; metal mining, 50,000; shipbuilding, 50,000; rubber, 50,000; shoe and leather, 50,000; printing, 50,000; casual labor, 50,000.

## MANY REQUESTS MADE FOR FARM ACCOUNT BOOKS.

Lexington, Ky., Jan. 6.—Many Kentucky farmers will keep books on their farm business during the coming year as indicated by the 10,000 requests which have already been received by the College of Agriculture for the revised account book which is being issued. The book may be obtained by sending sixteen cents to the Farm Management Department College of Agriculture, Lexington to cover cost of printing.

Going the Limit in Wisconsin.

The low down scurvy half-breed that swiped our log cabin from the bridge where we were working does not need to bring it back as we have another one, but if there is a hell-for dogs I hope he gets a seat in the front row with my compliments.

## LETTERS WE APPRECIATE

Goes to Illinois.

Mr. J. D. Babbage, Cloverport, Ky. Dear Mr. Babbage: Please change my paper from Providence, Ky., to Flora, Ill. We are leaving this place Dec. 29th, and oblige, Mrs. J. E. Couty.

From J. H. Lay.

Jno. D. Babbage, Cloverport, Ky. Dear Sir: Enclosed you will find my check for \$2 for subscription to The Breckenridge News for 1921. Wishing you a happy and prosperous New Year. Yours respectfully, J. H. Lay, 1302 Spring St., New Albany, Ind.

Mrs. Shelman Renews.

Dear Mr. Babbage: You will find enclosed \$2 check for which please renew my subscription to The Breckenridge News. Mrs. Blanch Shelman, Lodi, Ky.

It Can't Be Done.

Mr. J. D. Babbage, Dear Sir: Find enclosed check for \$2 for which extend my subscription to The Breckenridge News another year. Mr. Babbage go out and buy some low grade tobacco to print your paper on. I think you could publish it much cheaper. Yours truly, Wm. Lyons, McQuady, Ky.

From Judge Layman.

Mr. John D. Babbage, Editor, Cloverport, Ky. My dear Sir: You will find sion of my subscription to The Breckenridge News one year. Wishing you a happy New Year. I am, Yours very truly, J. R. Layman, Elizabethtown, Ky.

Mrs. Jake Severs

Editor Breckenridge News: Enclosed find \$1. Please send me your valuable paper for six months. Mrs. Jake Severs, 602 Elm St., Martins Ferry, Ohio.

Can't Do Without It.

Jno. D. Babbage, Cloverport, Ky. Please find enclosed money order for \$2 to renew my subscription to The Breckenridge News. Can't do without our home paper. Respectfully, W. B. Bennett, 430 S. Euclid Ave., Dayton, Ohio.

Miss Alma Perkins Renews.

Mr. John D. Babbage, Cloverport, Ky. Dear Mr. Babbage: You will find enclosed my check to cover my subscription to The Breckenridge News for the coming year and may it be a prosperous year for the News. I am sincerely, Alma Perkins, 3417 E. 2nd St., Dayton, Ohio.

New Year's Greetings.

Mr. J. D. Babbage, Cloverport, Ky. My dear Sir: Wishing you a prosperous and happy New Year, I herewith enclose you check for \$2 to apply on my subscription to The Breckenridge News. Yours truly, M. P. Payne, Irvington, Ky.

Wants News and Courier.

Breckenridge News, Cloverport, Ky. Gentlemen: You will find enclosed \$6 for one year's subscription to The Breckenridge News and Courier-Journal. Yours truly, H. A. Dutschke, Rome, Ind.

News a Birthday Gift.

Mr. J. D. Babbage, Editor Breckenridge News. Enclosed find \$2 for one year's subscription to The Breckenridge News to be sent to Mrs. A. M. Feland, 313 East Lexington Ave., Danville, Ky., as a birthday present from her sister. A happy New Year. Mrs. J. D. Bates, 7325 St. Charles Ave., New Orleans, La.

Logan Basham Renews.

John D. Babbage, Dear Sir: Your card at hand. Will find enclosed check for my subscription for The Breckenridge News one year. Yours, Logan Basham, Leoti, Kans.

OLD KY. NEGRO WOMAN'S QUALITIES RECOGNIZED.

On December 17, Amy Scott of color departed this life and entered heaven after having been a sincere Christian for forty years and nine months to the day. She belonged to a high class colored family. Her skin was black, but her soul was white, and she had many qualities that could be adopted by her race to its advantage. There are not many negroes the equal of Amy Scott in more ways than one. For sixteen years Amy Scott was the highly appreciated servant of Hon. B. J. Peters, who for four terms was Chief Justice of the Court of Appeals. Upon his death and that of his wife she hunted up another family of quality and lived. She was a leader of her race, had the first upright piano owned by her people in the county and could play it with quite a good deal of proficiency. She could recite poetry well.

Amy had been with the Bean family for twenty-four years. Her neighbors to her friends of color were fit to set before a king, oftentimes costing her a month's wages. She was a woman of honesty and had the respect of both white and black, and took great pride in being better than the common herd. She was one of the best cooks in the bluegrass and took great pride in excellent others.—Mount Sterling Advocate.

DISTRIBUTE BUILDING COSTS.

A proper share of the cost for replacing old farm buildings should be charged against the farm income each year. Buildings may be constructed to last for 100 years, or they may stand only a third of that time. If the cost of replacement is not charged into the yearly accounts the whole bill will appear against the income for a single year. Depreciation charges for buildings, machinery, or other farm equipment are merely a method for distributing these costs over the period of years in which the equipment is in actual use.

## \$25 BUYS SPRING SUIT COSTING \$37 YEAR AGO.

Cuts All Along Line Mark Opening In Chicago.

Chicago, Jan. 4.—The market for men's spring and summer clothing was opened in Chicago today and manufacturers offered suits much below prices of the spring of 1920. One of the leading actors in the ready made trade quoted the manufacturers' price of wool suits at \$25, compared to \$40 last autumn and \$37 a year ago.

Fine blue serge suits are offered at \$30 compared to \$47 last autumn and \$43 one year ago. A standard worsted suit is now wholesale at \$34, compared to \$45 for the spring of 1920. The very finest worsted suits made in America are now offered at \$53, compared to \$80, the price last autumn. Fine worsted trousers are now \$9, compared to \$12.50 last spring. Prices for summer goods, such as mohairs and Palm Beaches, range upward from \$14.50, compared to \$16.50 last year.

Buyers from every part of the United States say they have liquidated goods bought at peak prices and from now on clothing will be retailing on the new level.

## METAL MINING HAS HARD YEAR IN CALIFORNIA.

Washington, Jan. 2.—Preliminary figures on metal mining for 1920 in California, New Mexico, South Dakota and Texas were announced tonight by the Geological Survey and that the metal mining industry generally was in a depressed state in those States during the year.

"The outstanding and unprecedented feature of metal mining in California in 1920," the survey said, "was the closing down of a great number of the largest gold and copper mines, particularly in the mother lode region, where some of the mines that were once among the largest in the State stopped work, several of them permanently."

"Another feature of the year was the restriction of the supply of power by hydro-electric companies in the Fall, which affected the deep mines of all classes, as well as the dredging companies. For lack of this usual power some mines had to close altogether and others were compelled to restrict operations."

"The hardships suffered by the gold miners in the foothill and mountain countries have partly depopulated towns and camps and even counties. Numerous mines are being allowed to fill with water and some reduction plants have been virtually abandoned."

## IMMIGRATION FIGURES SAID TO BE EXAGGERATED.

New York, Jan. 7.—There is a great deal of exaggeration about the volume of immigration at present. Gen. Coleman Du Pont, chairman of the directors of the Interacial Council, declared in a statement tonight.

"What is needed," he said, "is to see to it that those actually arriving are desirable and whether we are getting the kind of immigrants who will contribute to the upbuilding of the country."

Enactment of restrictive immigration he asserted, is being sought in the United States through a revival of the "old dread of the alien" and an open hostility resembling the "Know-Nothings" of a little over a half-century ago." He said the immigration bill adopted by the House and now before the Senate failed to apply scientific principles to immigration.

"A campaign of insult and hostility to the foreign born is under way," he asserted, "and it is making Americanization efforts almost futile."

## ENDING THE SNAKE SEASON IN THE OHIO VALLEY.

One of the largest snakes killed in Paducah in several years was clubbed to death by Tom Porter, a negro, in the rear of the home of Clarence Sherrill on Fountain avenue. The snake was in the act of swallowing a half grown chicken at the time Porter discovered it. According to the negro the snake made a brave battle for his life and for the fowl, and it was after some minutes before it was made to turn loose of the chicken. The snake was checked in its mouth. The chicken was choked and will not live.—Paducah News-Democrat.

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## EASTERN FACTORIES GETTING BACK TO NORMAL.

Rochester, N. Y., Jan. 3.—With the volume of riders for the Spring trade steadily growing larger, Rochester's clothing and shoe factories, employing together about 14,000 workers, are gradually taking back their normal force. The president of the Rochester Clothiers' Exchange predicted today that within two weeks all the clothing factories would be running in full.

## I. C. MAY ERECT BRIDGE OVER OHIO AT EVANSVILLE.

Evansville, Ind., Jan. 5.—A report in railroad circles is that the Illinois Central contemplates erecting a bridge across the Ohio River at the old I. C. incline six miles above here, which is now used by a traction company in ferrying its cars over the river. It is understood plans have been drawn and that steam and trolley cars and vehicles will use the bridge.



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PART I.

## Moral Emblems.

Please don't skip this description of Robert Hervey Randolph—six feet straight up and down, broad of shoulder and narrow of hip, sandy-haired, blue-eyed, nose slightly up-ended and wearing a saddle of faint freckles, clean shaven, well groomed, very correctly dressed, and twenty-six years old. Let it be added that his eyes were placed just far enough apart to stamp him forever honest; he had an open and most prepossessing countenance.

At the moment of the start of this rapid yarn, he was standing in the Van Tellers' library, looking down in pained and flushed surprise at Miss Madge Van T., who was sitting in a huge leather chair half facing the fire in the open grate, one leg very much under her, the other waving a satin-and-silk combination of foot and ankle in distracting accompaniment to her disturbing speech.

"Bobby," said Miss Van T., "you are darned good-looking; you're strong, straight, and a gentleman; there are times when you are wholly adorable, but nevertheless, I'm not going to the show with you tonight, or to the opera tomorrow, or anywhere any more. There, there, dear boy; you don't have to say anything. You have one of those faces that is absolutely beyond the aid of a vocal organ. It says everything that is in your heart of gold before your brain has time to tinkle a bell."

"Look here, Madge," said the pained Mr. Randolph: "are you making fun of my face or of my brain or of both?"

"My dear," said Miss Van T. quite gravely, "I'm not making fun of you in any way whatsoever. I'm merely telling you how lovable you are, so that you will understand how serious it is when I say that I've decided not to love you any more."

"But how can you help it?" stammered Mr. Randolph, his tongue for once saying the same thing as his face at the same time.

Miss Van T.'s breast fluttered as though rising against its mistress to the defense of this disingenuous young man, and she was obliged to swerve her eyes from his and draw a long breath before she answered.

"I can, because I will," she said, her face paling. "Oh, Bobby, can't you wake up? Look round you and come to earth! You are born and bred on Manhattan, yet you've never seen New York."

"I guess you're right," said Bobby thoughtfully. "Look here, Madge: why should I try to see New York, and why should we be talking ash-cans when I've got you to look at in one of the most bewitching and abbreviated bits of dress goods that ever revealed a completely adorable person? Tell me that."

"Well," said Madge, her face hardening, "I will. It's a long story, not in words but in generations. The Van Tellers have lived in East Ninth street since the year one of the island. That is, they used to live here; now they hardly exist. They are merely an assorted lot of animated corpses that crawl out of their tomb periodically to take a strange air, leaning on a rotten stave called the 'Old Order.' Listen to this, Bobby: The new New York is a fever, and I've caught it. I want a rainy-day car, a calling-car, and a touring car; I want dresses that will stab with envy the heart of every woman that looks at them; I want my jewels to run to size and quality, and I want a yacht just for the papers to talk about, because I hate to ride in the smelly things."

Bobby's eyes had grown rounder and wider as the list progressed.

"Do you think you could get along on a hundred thousand a year?" he asked very softly.

"I don't know," she said slowly. "I've been going into the subject rather thoroughly, and a hundred thousand would be running it on a pretty close margin. By the way, just what is your allowance under that crazy will?"

"Ten thousand," said Bobby.

"Well," said Miss Van T., "there you are! Just enough to keep you com-

fortably in debt, and you want to marry me on it! It wouldn't be quite so out of the question if you knew you were going to have it forever, but you don't. It may be cut off."

"Any day," said Bobby promptly. "It isn't likely, after all these years, but it may."

"Well, there you are!" Miss Van T. repeated herself. "I'm not altogether a pig, Bobby. Ten thousand with you thrown in is enough to make any woman think three times, but the truth is you have been killed by too little and too much kindness. If you had never gone on as super for a disappearing heiress, you might have amounted to something by now. Instead of making you, that money has buried you."

"You don't know me altogether, Madge," said Bobby. "Do you think I've never thought things out? When I need to make money, I'll do it. The great thing nowadays, it seems to me, is not to have too much."

"Not to have too much!" exclaimed Miss Van T., a puzzled frown on her forehead. "Bobby, do you know that you've said something original? No; I won't put it quite as strong as that, but I will say that you've given birth to an exotic idea."

"But it doesn't alter things as far as I am concerned," she continued, almost without a pause. "In fact, it only simplifies matters. You've signed the warrant. I want loads of money; you're afraid of having too much. So we'd better turn our backs on each other and march."

Mr. Randolph looked at her through narrowed eyes.

"I suppose," he said, "you have picked out the man with a hundred thousand a year?"

"Not finally," said Miss Van T., "though they are not so scarce in this hurly-burly world as your question implies. After all, it isn't the cash I'm keen on, but what it will bring. If necessary, I'll earn my own living."

"Earn your own living!" exclaimed Mr. Randolph. "Will you please tell me how you could earn anything?"

"Well," said Miss Van T., "I've had a couple of offers without even asking. When I tried to jew Simon Simon down on this very frock on the grounds that I was hard up, he said, in the nicest way, that he would take me on at sixty a week any day during the next five years."

"And the other?" asked Mr. Randolph.

"The other," said Miss Van T., dropping her eyes, "was Beacher Tremont. He wasn't quite so nice, but he offered more. He said he was looking for a private secretary, who could name her own price."

"During the next five years—at your own price," repeated Bobby, his mind dazed but nevertheless going straight to the kernel of each proposition. "Madge, do you know what you're saying? Do you know the horrible things you infer?"

She moved one hand impatiently.

"Bobby," she said, "don't get theatrical. I tell you New York is a fever. I've caught it, and I'm not a bit sorry. The choice between being a Van Teller corpse and a fastish woman is easy. The semi-declassees of New York, if they play for high enough stakes, have a world of their own that is worth moving in. Money is merely an adjunct to it—nothing but the bridge across which clever men come to show themselves off at their untrammelled best."

"Madge," said Bobby, at once frightened and earnest, "you only half know what you're talking about. There is such a world as you speak of—it's the world of insatiably hungry women. It's brilliant and fascinating for a while, but it breathes a poisoned air, and all its roads lead down. Every woman that goes into it with her eyes open has an idea that, with her beauty and her brains, she can buck the tiger and get away with it. She won't look over her shoulder and read the record of an endless losing run on the black."

Miss Van T. smiled.

"I'm already beginning on my reward," she said. "You've never talked so well before in your life."

"It's more than talk," said Bobby, flushing angrily. "And the ways of

access that you have imagined!" he continued. "You read happy stories to the public taste of midnights, show-room girls, and dress-models, and perhaps you think they mirror the life. Why, Madge, the taunts that those girls fling indifferently at virtue and at vice are so vile that they couldn't be repeated even among half-decent men. And the other way, the private door for the private secretary. That's a road of burned bridges. Every man, decent or indecent, feels a queer sinking of the heart when he hears of a woman taking it." He looked at her shrewdly. "And yet you may do it," he said, half to himself. "If you are one of the hungry women, God help you, for they all walk blindfolded."

"They don't walk," said Madge, flushing, and her eyes gleaming strangely. "That's just the point: they rush, whirl, and—"

"And crash," finished Bobby. "That's the very word," said Madge. "If you'll only keep on the way you've started, I'd love to talk to you all night."

"No chance of that," said Bobby, straight-lipped. "I'm through, and I'm going." He turned toward the door. "Not without kissing me good-by, Bobby!" cried Madge.

He looked over his shoulder with a polite but impersonal smile.

"I'm not much on kissing strange women," he said lightly. "It would take me years to learn to kiss you again."

He left the room and the house. With his top-hat pushed back on his head, the ends of his muffer flying loose, his overcoat half unbuttoned, he swung up the deserted lower



"It Would Take Me Years to Learn to Kiss You Again."

reaches of the Avenue, punctuating his thoughts with the solid rap of his stick on the pavement. It might be supposed that he was thinking and mourning over the sudden demise of the Miss Van Teller he had thought he had known for many years, but such was not the case.

Mr. Randolph was not built on mourning lines; at the moment under review, he was thinking about himself and the strange fate that had made him a foster-child of fortune. He proceeded to look back ten years. Just a decade ago he had had his one meeting with the young lady whose disappearance had brought him an unstable affluence. It had taken place on this very avenue and less than forty short blocks away. He had reason to remember the encounter, for it had brought into sudden conjunction a lovely Persian cat, a lovely wire-haired terrier, a lovely child, and himself. The cat had dashed from a proud front door to cross Forty-something street under the nose of a taxi-cab; the dog had flown in yapping pursuit and, in the act, yanked his young mistress off her pins. He, Mr. Randolph, had seized one of her flying feet, hauled her and the terrier back to safety, and no sooner placed her upright and smoothed down her absurdly short skirts than he, she, and especially it, the dog, became the center and circumference of an animated pin-wheel.

Her unshaken determination to hold to the leash, whatever happened, brought disaster. The said leash wound three times round her ankles and those of Mr. Randolph, bringing them both down kerplunk and facing each other. "My, what a bump!" she had cried, in startled tones, and then thrown back her curly head and laughed.

It was so that he remembered her—

a child of ten or eleven summers and no winters, merry as a sunny day, dark-haired, dark-eyed, pink-cheeked, pampered but unspoiled. She had risen and taken his hand, told him her name, thanked him, ordered a flurried nurse to thank him, shaken her finger at the terrier, and said, "Good-by" and "Come on, Maggie," all while he was still rubbing the seat of his first long trousers.

On that day she had been Miss Imogene Pamela Thornton, petted darling of the gods and Mr. Brewster Thornton, banker and widower; two months later had come Thornton's financial smash and, immediately afterward, his spiritual, moral and bodily collapse. Everything that had made for life in him having been swept away, he died as a matter of course, and was buried. For sole inheritance, little Genie Thornton found herself possessor and possessed of one Maggie O'Rourke, a nurse of long standing, of earnest and faithful face, and a monster heart imprisoned in a pitifully thin chest.

It had taken Genie's great-uncle, Asa Thornton, six more months to forget a quarrel of sixteen years' standing with his nephew, and by that time child and nurse had been seeped into that lower world which can't afford morning and afternoon editions and is too busy praying for daily bread to look for a rain of manna in the daily press.

In short, Maggie and her charge, traced down the ladder of reputable, disreputable and impossible lodgings, had slipped ultimately from sight and the ken of people with addresses, and, as a result, Mr. Robert Hervey Randolph, whose relationship to Mr. Asa Thornton is of no import whatever to this tale of cause and effect, came into ten thousand a year and a string—the string being the possible reappearance of Miss Imogene Pamela.

"Bob," had said old Asa, on the verge of a tardy demise, "I'm not introducing you to a war between conscience and self-interest. There's no silly story-book test about my money; you are under no obligation to look for Imogene or to shout if you step on her by any twist of chance. My lawyers have all the instructions necessary along those lines; they are to make every reasonable effort, and if they succeed, why, you're man enough to look out for yourself. It isn't going to make a devil of a lot of difference to me where the cash goes so long as I die with—die with the credit."

With that last sentence, his mind had stumbled and wandered off to memories of his nephew Brewster. Looking back from the vantage of twenty-six years, Randolph caught, for the first time, the full import of Asa Thornton's farewell words to him and to life: "Die with the credit." They held the kernel of the old man's carefully measured amend.

"Great old top!" murmured Mr. Randolph aloud, and half unconsciously turned to the left at Forty-second street. Five minutes later he was caught in the maelstrom of the Thanksgiving crowd milling around Times square.

Presently he found himself on the edge of a human sea, banked up to give passage to a honking empty taxi-cab. Here was another question for a suddenly inquiring mind. Where did taxi-cabs, empty ones, go to in such a hurry? The door of this one was swinging open, and the proof of how intent the crowd was on its myriad individual goals is evidenced by the fact that a dozen voices did not inform the driver that the season was off for fans on wheels.

The cab was moving more slowly than Mr. Randolph's subconscious mind, which led him to step into it and quietly close the inviting door. Upon seating himself, he tried to analyze the impulse that had lifted him from the curb. He decided that it was not so much the curiosity as to the destination of empty cabs as a natural and ancient dislike for being pushed and elbowed by people.

(Continued Next Week)

Rejected Suitor—Do you object to my presence at your wedding?  
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## EVERY GOVERNOR INVITED TO ATTEND INAUGURATION.

Washington, Jan. 4.—Invitations were sent to every State Governor today by the Washington committee arranging for the inauguration of President-Elect Harding, urging them to attend the inauguration, accompanied by their staffs.

Gov-Elect Davis of Ohio has already accepted.

## REP. BEN JOHNSON BACK AT WASHINGTON.

A Washington despatch says that Representative Ben Johnson returned Wednesday to Washington to take up his official duties. He has been under medical treatment at his home in Bardonia for several months.—Elizabethtown News.

## ACCESSORY AFTER THE FACT

Speaking of the origin of slang, it was Thomas Moore, wasn't it, who wrote "Believe Me, if all those endearing young charms"?—Boston Globe.

But Tom said it only once. It was somebody else who picked it up and made slang of it.—Bideford Journal.

Can we be certain about Tom?—Boston Globe.

How about Matthew Arnold?

"Yet they, believe me who await No gifts from chance, have conquered fate."—A. H. Wallace, Groveton, N. H.

## CROP REPORT SHOWS INCREASE

236,500,000 Lbs., Burley Raised This Year; Increase of Corn, Potatoes and Many Other Crops.

The annual revised estimates of acreage and production of crops in Kentucky, for 1920, issued Dec. 31, by the U. S. Bureau of Crop Estimates in co-operation with State Commissioner of Agriculture W. C. Hanna, show an estimated production of 100,650,000 bus. of corn; 467,500,000 pounds of tobacco of all types in the State; 5,610,000 bus. of wheat; 8,225,000 bus. of oats; 6,435,000 bus. of Irish potatoes; and 1,508,000 tons of hay.

The estimates for all crops given indicates increases in production of corn, oats, barley, potatoes, apples, peaches, pears, sorghum, soy beans and clover seed; the same production as in 1919 of beans, cowpeas and sweet potatoes; and decreased production of tobacco, wheat, rye and hay. Burley tobacco production in the State increased (according to un-revised estimates) from about 213,000,000 pounds in 1919 to about 236,500,000 pounds in 1920. These estimates may be slightly revised later when more complete checking up of yields is possible. The reduction of dark tobacco acreage in Western Kentucky together with light yield in some other counties in 1920 reduced the estimates of the State's total tobacco crop of all types from 498,000,000 pounds in 1919 to 467,500,000 pounds of all types together in 1920.

The acreage of wheat sown in Kentucky in the fall of 1920 is estimated at 625,000 acres, the same as in 1919, the condition of the crop Dec. 1, 1920, being 84 per cent of normal compared to 80 per cent Dec. 1, 1919, and an average condition Dec. 1, of 90. The total acreage of wheat sown in the United States in the fall of 1920 is estimated at 40,605,000 acres, of 97.2 per cent of the acreage sown in the fall of 1919. The condition of the United States wheat crop Dec. 1, 1920, is given as 87.9 per cent of normal compared to 85.2 Dec. 1, 1919, and a 10-year average Dec. 1, of 88.4 per cent.

1921—I wonder if I am the new poor or the poor new?

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## What Shall Dark Tobacco Growers Do?

By E. J. Kinney, Kentucky Experiment Station

Perhaps the agricultural situation in the dark tobacco districts of Kentucky and Tennessee is more critical than in any other part of the country. At least, the farmers in these districts do not see how it could be any worse. Tobacco has occupied the most important place in this region as a money crop ever since the country was settled. Farm practices have been developed with special reference to tobacco, farm buildings have been constructed for housing tobacco, and the profitable utilization of farm labor is dependent upon a large tobacco acreage.

Last year the market for leaf started off with high prices, but before much could be marketed a tremendous slump occurred, bringing down prices to a level far below the cost of production. With this warning the acreage was reduced considerably and farmers hoped for better prices this year. From all indications, however, dark tobacco, if it can be disposed of at all, will have to be practically given away. When it is considered that the crop this year was the most expensive to produce of any crop yet grown, and that the losses were heavy on last year's crop, it is easy to understand why tobacco farmers are mightily discouraged and at a loss how to plan for the future. Shall they plant a full crop, trusting in a return to normal demand, plant a reduced acreage, or cut out the crop entirely? If they decide upon a reduced acreage, how much should the reduction be? If no tobacco is raised, how will they adjust their farming practice to take care of the situation?

A decision must be made soon, and it is of the utmost importance that the growers have all the information available in arriving at a decision. Practically all the dark tobacco of Kentucky and Tennessee, including both the fire-cured and air-cured types, must find a foreign market. Most of it goes to Europe. It is evident that the financial conditions in Europe are such now that not nearly the usual amount of tobacco is being bought. Furthermore, it will in all probability be a number of years until the demand again reaches pre-war figures. Indeed it is a possibility that the demand for these types of tobacco will never reach that of the pre-war period. It is quite certain, then, that it would be very unwise to continue to plant the usual acreage of tobacco.

Undoubtedly there will be a strong movement to "cut out" the crop entirely this year. The advocates of the "cut out" will claim that there is a large accumulation of tobacco, probably enough to supply the demand next year, and eliminating one crop will give an opportunity to get this out of the way and thus stabilize the market. It is undoubtedly a fact that a large surplus will be carried over, but probably much of this will consist of the lower grades of leaf and the demand for the better class of leaf cannot be filled. As will be pointed out later, it is very important that every effort be made to fill all demands in order that the market may be preserved. A complete cut out of the crop is difficult to secure and to attempt to enforce it will probably cause trouble as in 1908. Furthermore, it will work tremendous hardships on small farmers without sufficient capital to readjust their farm practices. Considering the losses when they have already had to bear, it is difficult to see how many of these small farmers could survive if a cut out were enforced. Another objection to a cut out is that enough work to employ farm labor could not be supplied

and many of the farm laborers would probably be obliged to leave. This might prove disastrous to the future agriculture of the region.

As already intimated, the possible influence upon the future market for dark tobacco must be considered in taking any step. Tobacco is a valuable crop for Western Kentucky and Tennessee in spite of all the worry it has caused and the hard things that have been said about it. Much of this territory is a region of small farms. The land is rolling and washes readily when cultivated too continuously. Furthermore, it is of only moderate fertility. An intensive crop is almost a necessity and it is difficult to see what other crop could replace tobacco except in a small way. This being true it is of the utmost importance that nothing be done which will jeopardize the future market for this type of tobacco. If the cut out is intended as a weapon to force high prices for the surplus tobacco that has accumulated or force immeasurably high prices for future crops, it may greatly injure the market. It is stated on good authority that already one European nation, unable to buy tobacco here because of the unfavorable rate of exchange, are seeking other sources of supply and are buying large quantities from the East Indies. Of course, farmers cannot afford to raise tobacco at the present ridiculously low prices, but to expect European nations in their impoverished condition to pay extremely high prices is certain to result in disappointment. Those who have hopes that by a cut out prices can be forced to a point where some of last and this year's losses can be recovered, might just as well abandon such hopes. Europe will undoubtedly continue to buy our dark tobacco if she can get it at a moderate price, but if an attempt is made to fix prices unreasonably high, she will turn elsewhere. It is not likely that higher prices could be secured if only half of the demand were supplied than if it were just supplied. Of course, when there is a big surplus, as at present, the European buyers will take advantage of the situation to buy as cheaply as possible.

Considered from all angles, it would seem, then, that a cut of the crop is unwise provided relief can be secured in any other way. The third proposition, to reduce the acreage to such an extent that the product will find a ready market, is undoubtedly the most logical solution. The problem is to estimate what the demand will be and to devise methods of securing the necessary reduction. The only way in which these projects can be carried out is through an organization of all the growers of dark tobacco. The producers of dark tobacco in Virginia should, of course, be included in the organization. Experts should be hired to make a careful study of the situation and to furnish as reliable an estimate as possible of the demands for dark tobacco this year. The growers of export tobacco have never had even a fair knowledge of the market situation regarding tobacco and they can afford to pay liberally for the information. It is also possible that an organized industry could develop other markets than the present ones. The work of organization should be started at once in order to give time for investigation before the crops must be planted.

If the investigation indicates that a very radical reduction in acreage is necessary, and this is not unlikely, farmers who can afford it should be asked to cut out the crop entirely in order that small farmers and those so dependent upon tobacco can raise as much as possible.

In a future issue the writer will offer suggestions regarding lines of farming that can be substituted partly for tobacco growing in the dark tobacco districts.—Southern Agriculturist.

## TAKE MANY TONS OF GOLD FISH

Caught in Fishing Grounds of Portage River in Ohio.

### SENT TO NEW YORK MARKETS

Strange Migration May Be Result of Big Floods of 1913—Hauls of From a Ton to a Ton and a Half at a Time Have Been Reported by Fishermen Who Have Their Seine Grounds for Carp Fishing—Not the Glass Bowl Fish.

Many tons of gold fish have been caught in the fishing grounds of the Portage river at Port Clinton, O., by local fishermen, during the last few weeks. Where these fish come from is a mystery, although they have been seen in this section before, but never in such large quantities.

According to some of the fishermen the scattering of the fish was found in 1913, after the big floods of Ohio and the lake regions, and it was thought at that time that the fish may have been liberated from some of the park and resort aquariums, by the overflowing of the flooded artificial ponds.

The first fish were found in small numbers at intervals by the fishermen who had their nets in Lake Erie, and an occasional one would be brought ashore as a curiosity. Later the fish found their way to the marshes and inland waters of the fishing grounds of the Portage river, and it has been only during the last few months that they have been caught in such large quantities.

Hauls of from a ton to a ton and a half have been reported at a single time by the fishermen who have their seine grounds for carp fishing, and these fish have appeared in large schools, making a very interesting sight when they are being rounded up for the lifting of the nets.

### Not Glass Bowl Fish.

The fish are not of the glass bowl variety, but seem to be more of a carp species, and will measure several inches and weigh as much as a half pound each. They are placed in live cars and brought here to be loaded into express cars and shipped in tanks, alive, to New York markets, where they are sold to the retail and wholesale trade.

Up to this time the local trade has not indulged in the gold fish for a food product although it is said to be the same. The larger fish have the features of a carp, with the large scales, but a decided difference in the coloring. These fish are highly colored in yellow and gold shades, with a little sprinkling of red which makes them very attractive.

### Won't Grow in Jars.

It is said that some of these fish have been placed in glass jars, and held for some time, but that they did not take on additional size.

Charles Klingbeil of the United States Fisheries here, is of the opinion that these fish came from the aquariums of Belle Isle and Detroit during the flood times of 1913, and that during these last seven years have multiplied until the shallow waters of this vicinity have become inhabited by millions of fish.

As the gold fish are adapted to the warmer waters, they have found the marshes of this section desirable quarters for their summer maneuvers, and during the winter months they seek the deeper waters of the Portage river, where they are protected from the ice and the freezing which would confront them in the marshes.

### OPERATES ON BABY

Infant Just Born Recovers From Paralysis.

What is believed to be a record in medical annals of Pennsylvania was established at Bloomsburg when an operation was performed on an infant thirty minutes old.

The child of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Billman was afflicted with paralysis of the left side at birth. The attending physician decided that an immediate operation might correct the trouble. A piece of the skull was raised and pressure relieved, causing an end of the paralytic condition. The baby rallied from the operation and it is believed will live and be healthy.

### REDUCE TENEMENT RENTS

New York Man Will Apply 10 to 15 Per Cent Reduction on Holdings.

Formal notices have been sent by Charles Galewski, a landlord of New York city, to 15 of his tenants telling them their rents would be lowered 10 to 15 per cent beginning New Year's day. Mr. Galewski confirmed the reduction.

"Yes," he said, "I'm reducing the rents. I shall apply a 10 to 15 per cent reduction to my \$15,000,000 worth of holdings in New York city real estate as fast as accountants can determine the excess profit I am now realizing on my investments."

### Forgetful Woman Left Babe in Store.

Shortly after locking his store and going home to bed, O. C. O'Hearn of Tomah, Wis., was awakened by a knock at his door. His disturber was a customer who said she had carelessly left her baby asleep in the store and wished to get it.

## CALIFORNIA GIRL HAS HONEY BEAR FOR PAL



Little Sylvia May Cady of Oakland, Cal., says Billy, honey bear from Java, is better than a doll. Billy was presented to Sylvia by a longshoreman who took him from a steamer just in from the South seas. Billy likes sweets and as the picture indicates, is fond of kissing.

## COURT DECIDES GIRL MAY KEEP PRESENTS

Youthful Swain Is Loser in Peculiar Suit Brought in Milwaukee.

Famous pearls of history never started anything more potential than the pearls—value \$15—Theresa Poetz, 779 Thirty-fifth street, Milwaukee, got for a Christmas present from Roman Engel.

For in civil court on Friday they led Judge Blenski to decide that "gifts is gifts" and that Theresa might keep the necklace, despite the fact that, now that friendship between her erstwhile suitor and herself had ended, he sought their return.

Roman, youth of twenty years, asserted that eighteen-year-old Theresa had promised to be his some day and that the pearls and a wrist watch which depleted his purse \$32 worth were given with the understanding that should the engagement be called off, the presents might be called in. "Did I love that girl, your honor? I loved her enough to give up my vacation so I could give her money to enjoy hers," he said, attesting to the economical strain in Theresa by stating that she returned \$3 of the \$15 at the end of a two weeks' vacation.

But Theresa told the court with flashing eyes that she wasn't and never had been engaged to Roman. Their mothers were friends, she said, and so were she and Roman. The pearls were a Christmas present, the watch a birthday present, then why shouldn't she keep them, even if Attorney Leo Slensky did try to point out the futility of seeking to derive pleasure from feeling the clasp of a rejected suitor's jewelry about one's neck and wrist?

"And I didn't love him and don't," testified Theresa.

As an equal division of estate at the end of the youthful romance, Judge Blenski decided that Roman might keep all the love letters.

## GREAT ARMY OF WORKERS

Uncle Sam Employed One Person in Every 159 in Country.

One person out of every 159 in the United States was on the government payroll last July, according to the annual report of the civil service commission.

The total number of civil service employees last July, the commission announced, was 691,116, and the government was using them in 1,700 different kinds and grades of work. There were nearly 1,000,000 government employees at the height of the World War, the commission said, and added that before the war figures of 480,000 employees, in 1916, probably never again will be reached.

A tabulation of the great army of government workers fixes the average age at 28.4 years and the average salary at \$1,176 a year, exclusive of the \$240 annual bonus.

PENSIONS TOTAL \$213,295,314

Widows of 1812 Veterans Are Still on the Pension Rolls.

Pension disbursements for the fiscal year 1920 aggregated \$213,295,314, according to the annual report of Commissioner Saltzgeber, of the pension bureau. The figures showed a decrease of about \$9,000,000 from 1919 totals, and the report recorded the death during the year of 27,871 Civil war pensioners, leaving 243,520 soldiers who are receiving government pensions in addition to 290,100 Civil war widows.

While no survivors of the War of 1812 were shown, 71 widows of soldiers in that war are receiving government pensions. Only 148 Mexican war survivors were reported and 2,423 Mexican war widows. Survivors of the World War do not show on the roll.



## TAXI

AN ADVENTURE ROMANCE

By GEORGE AGNEW CHAMBERLAIN

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ROMANTIC, clever, ingenious, sprightly and dashing—a classic of gasoline and speed in which much blithe, some humor is blended with a charming love story.

Mostly about a young man who had too much money and too much time in which to spend it, but otherwise not enough employment. To remedy the deficiency, get a new angle on life and learn some things which he did not know about his beloved New York, he changed places with a taxi driver and learned plenty. Also the experience remodeled his existence, made him a worth-while citizen and brought aid to a number of people, among whom were several young women, who but for the timely intervention of the gasoline Sir Galahad, would have succumbed to the city's perils.

Then there was the case of the lovely girl born with a silver spoon in her mouth who lost it, became a chorus girl, recovered the spoon and—but you must read it—a new serial offering for these columns.

## YOUR LOSS IF YOU MISS IT!

## TO GROW OLD GRACEFULLY ANCIENT RACES PLAYED BALL

Desirable Condition That Greatly Depends on One's Habits of Mind Formed in Youth.

Tossing the Sphere is Supposed to Have Had Deep Symbolic Meaning Centuries Ago.

The most inevitable—and one of the easiest—of the things we do is to grow old. Yet what a difference there is in the way different people do it!

You probably know, for instance, some little old lady who, although she may not be beautiful or brilliant, is just "nice"—which is apt to mean that instead of bossing or scolding, she tries not to be troublesome or unreasonable to those around her. Or rather, she does not have to try, for it is characteristic of elderly human beings that they seldom try very hard to form new habits. Youth is the period of endeavor, and old age of results. This is the reason for the futility of young folks' displeasure at their parents' "old-fashioned" ideas. Such ideas are fixed; they will not change.

Yet not all elderly people are age-bound in their thoughts; many can be tolerant of innovations, and a few can even adopt them. Such a flexible condition of the elderly mind is, like the rigid, intolerant sort, a product of earlier life and habits; it is not likely to indicate any particular good or evil trait in the person possessing it.

If the young man or woman who feels impatient at the old folks' notions will cease to shrug a shoulder and exclaim: "I hope I'm not like that when I'm old," and will turn his attention to the younger generation, starting with himself, he is likely to do much more for human progress. When he himself has reached the age of fixed ideas his character will depend on his previous habits of mind; if he has kept himself free from prejudice and cocksureness and has been always willing to learn better ways of thinking and doing, he will be likely to remain correspondingly more rational with advancing years, and will, in truth not be "like that" when he is old.—Pendleton East Oregonian.

Although it is a proven fact that the game now designated baseball is of modern and purely American origin, the use of a ball in ceremonies and games goes back many centuries.

Four thousand years ago, in the twelfth Egyptian dynasty, a Coptic artist sculptured on the temple Beni Hassan, human figures throwing and catching balls. A leather-covered ball used in games played on the Nile over 40 centuries ago, has a place among the many archeological specimens in the British museum. It has a sewed cover and is in a remarkable state of preservation.

The game of ball was prized by the Greeks as giving grace and elasticity to the human figure, and they erected a statue to one Aristonius for his proficiency in it. Ancient medical practitioners were wont to prescribe a course of ball playing, where the modern doctor would order a diet of pills.

It is supposed that ball tossing had a deep symbolic meaning when played in the spring of the year; and that the tossing of the ball was intended first to typify the upspringing of the life of nature after the gloom of winter. And, whether this was the case among the people of antiquity or not, it is a remarkable fact that the ecclesiastics of the early church adopted this symbol and gave it a very special significance by meeting on Easter day and throwing a ball from hand to hand, to typify the Resurrection.

Borough Paid Bill After 83 Years. A due bill of the borough of Carlisle, Pa., dated May 24, 1837, and therefore eighty-three years old, has been received from Henry Chapman of Philadelphia, for redemption. The note, which was for \$2, was redeemed by the borough clerk.